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Applicants : Michael S. Colman, et al.

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For IMPROVED RECOVERY OF LINEAR NUCLEIC ACIDS
BY SALT DILUTION AND/OR REDUCED PRESSURE
PRIOR TO CONTINUOUS PRESSURE DIFFERENTIAL
ULTRAFILTRATION.

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated May 24, 2005 (the period for response to which has been extended to October 24, 2005 by virtue of the accompanying petition and fee), please consider the following:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

An **Appendix** with a §1.132 Affidavit begins on page 4 of this paper.